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JAIDA TRUCK

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jaida Truck for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jaida Truck is a student at Mandalay Middle School Three Creeks K-8 and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jaida Truck is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jaida Truck for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

### CONGRATULATING LOVING BOTTOMS DIAPER BANK FOR DISTRIBUTING THEIR 1-MILLIONTH DIAPER

### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Loving Bottoms Diaper Bank for distributing its 1-millionth diaper to help families in need.

Loving Bottoms was founded in 2015 by Lee Ann Porter, who recognized that social service organizations were struggling to provide diapers for those in need across the Central Illinois community. In 2016, Loving Bottoms began to grow, adding counties to its service area. By 2018, Loving Bottoms expanded again, and began to distribute menstruation supplies to those struggling to access these necessary items. By February of 2019, 250,000 diapers had been distributed, and by March of 2021, one million diapers reached those most in need. I thank Loving Bottoms for the services it provides to families, individuals and the greater community.

It is because of leaders such as Loving Bottoms Diaper Bank that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally recognize Loving Bottoms Diaper Bank for distributing their 1-millionth diaper.

### INTRODUCTION OF THE PITTMAN-ROBERTSON WILDLIFE RESTORATION ACT AND DINGELL-JOHNSON SPORT FISH RESTORATION ACT DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EQUALITY ACT

### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to introduce the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act District of Columbia Equality Act, which would make the District of Columbia eligible for the same federal funding as states under the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act. The District is treated as a state under federal programs, with a few exceptions, most of them simply oversights or failures to update post-home rule.

The Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act provides funding, derived from excise taxes on sporting equipment, for five distinct purposes: program administration, wildlife restoration, basic hunter education and safety, enhanced hunter education and safety grants and multistate conservation grants. The District does not receive any funding under this Act. The Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act provides funding for sport fish restoration, aquatic education, wetlands restoration and boat-related activities. Under this Act, states receive a minimum of one percent of the total amount apportioned, while the District is capped at one-third of one percent.

This omission and lack of parity under these Acts have serious consequences for the District. The District has roughly 7,800 acres of parkland covering nearly a quarter of the city, which means it has more parkland per capita than any other city in the United States. This bill would define "State" in these Acts to include the District, providing the District with equal funding for wildlife conservation in our nation's capital.

I urge my colleagues to support this important bill.

BAYLEE HUGHES

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud students, Baylee Hughes and Dakota Hull, for earning the Best in Show Award for their creative and unique mobile application (app) as part of the 2021 Congressional App Challenge.

As first-time participants in the challenge, this team from the STEM Launch School built an app entitled "Chatroom" to create a safe portal for teens to talk with one and about a variety of issues.

The students of STEM Launch School spent countless hours and used numerous tools to learn about coding, developed new skills, and further advanced their STEM education. Their perseverance and dedication to this challenge exemplifies the character and determination the faculty instills in the students at the school.

I extend my deepest congratulations to these students for their hard work on this project. I am certain these students will exhibit the same dedication and character in their future accomplishments, and I wish them the best of luck going forward.

### HONORING TWENTY-TWO TEACHERS OF THE GREATER BOCA RATON AREA

### HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the twenty-two outstanding teachers in South Florida who have been awarded the Teacher of the Year award for 2020 from the Rotary Club of Boca Raton Sunrise.

For more than thirty years, the Rotary Club of Boca Raton Sunrise has offered this annual distinction to one teacher at each of the twenty-two schools in the greater Boca Raton area. Each awardee is selected by the school's principal. These teachers have dedicated their time to inspiring, empowering, and bettering the next generation of youth in our community. Their passion in this effort is truly worthy of our recognition.

These twenty-two exemplary teachers have made a profound impact on their students through their caring, commitment, and professionalism. They are a cohort defined by integrity, excellence, and the highest marks in all they do. The City of Boca Raton is fortunate to have such outstanding faculty.

Congratulations to Stephanie Anderson, Nicole Moeller, Marc Drautz, Victor Creighton, Jordan Hernandez, Geri Fishman, Meghan Mooney, Ana Balboni, Stephanie Lapinskas, Kendra Gremaux, Erika Dunlea, Cathy Brader, Myrna Arroyo Casillas, Deborah Posner, William Castillo, Amanda Kennedy, Samantha Hernandez, Sandy Woonton, Christina Stansell, Elizabeth Grecsek, Amanda Wanberg, and Karina Constantine on being nominated for this year's Teacher of the Year award.

I am pleased to honor them, and I thank them for their continued service.

### IN HONOR OF COL (RET.) MAYO ADDISON "BIFF" HADDEN, III

### HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, it is my honor and pleasure to extend my personal congratulations to a dedicated and valiant servant of humankind, Colonel (Ret.) Mayo Addison "Biff" Hadden, III. Biff was recently inducted into the 2020 Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame on Saturday, April 3, 2021, in John's Creek, Georgia.

A native son of Norfolk, Virginia, Colonel Hadden is a graduate of both the Army and Air Force War College as well as the University of Alabama, where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science in 1972, and Hardin-Simmons University, where he earned his Master's Degree in Business Administration, in 1981. His extensive military career

spanned nearly 31 years and encompassed Infantry, Special Forces, and ROTC assignments, including two tours in Vietnam with the elite Delta Force element. He was also selected for a Joint Task Force with the XVIII Airborne Corps in Grenada during Operation Urgent Fury to become the headquarters J-3, Operations, Plans, and Training Officer.

During two years in Vietnam with the 5th Special Forces Group, then Captain Hadden served as a Long Range Reconnaissance Platoon Leader, Senior Advisor to a South Vietnamese Airborne Ranger Battalion, and Operations Officer of Project Delta, a special mission unit. In May of 1967, while fighting in the A Shau Valley, he was seriously wounded. On August 20, 1969, when Delta's forward base camp came under a massive attack, he bravely moved through heavy fire to direct effective offensive action against the attackers. For his heroism in battle in Vietnam, he was awarded 4 Bronze Stars (1 w/VDevice), 6 Air Medals (1 w/V Device), a Purple Heart, a Navy Unit Commendation Medal, and a Combat Infantryman Badge among several other military decorations including the Legion of Merit.

Colonel Hadden's final military assignment was with the U.S. Army Infantry School and Fort Benning, where he retired as Inspector General in 1993 before becoming the Senior Vice President of Economic Development and Military Affairs for the Columbus Georgia Chamber of Commerce. During his time as Senior Vice President, he oversaw the negotiations for the Columbus-Fort Benning Land Swap, the largest of its kind nationally. Additionally, in his "volunteer" role as acting Executive Director of the National Infantry Foundation, he was instrumental in the development of plans for the new Museum and in fundraising of over \$14 million for the iconic institution.

Colonel Hadden has and continues to lend his selfless support to entities that support our nation's military and his surrounding community. Some of those include Fort Benning Retiree Council, Congressional Service Academy Nomination Panels, Co-Chair Community Engagement Board, Military Officers Association of America (both chapter and state), and Georgia Special Forces, where he serves as Chapter President.

Colonel Hadden has accomplished much in his life, but none of it would have been possible without the love and support of his wife, Trish; and his daughter, Terry.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me, my wife Vivian, and the more than 730,000 residents of Georgia's Second Congressional District in extending our sincerest congratulations to the Colonel (Ret.) Mayo Addison "Biff" Hadden, III for his induction into the 2020 Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame and for his many years of service to his community, nation, and humankind.

JOHN (JACK) SULLIVAN

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud John (Jack) Sullivan for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jack Sullivan is a student at Wayne Carle M.S. and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jack Sullivan is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jack Sullivan for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

### IN RECOGNITION OF BLUE FRIDAY'S 5 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

### HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Mr. Jeff Katz and the fifth anniversary of his "Blue Friday" program. Blue Friday was founded in memory of fallen Richmond Police Officer Lieutenant Jan McTernan to honor her memory and legacy by recognizing local police officers.

Once a month, Blue Friday pays tribute to a local Central Virginia Law Enforcement officer, highlighting their valiant and tireless efforts to protect their communities.

Over these five years, the Blue Friday program has displayed Virginia's commitment to advocacy and civic engagement. Blue Friday lends a needed and well-deserved voice to law enforcement, going above and beyond to raise awareness and honor outstanding law enforcement officers in our community. Their displays of courage and determination set an excellent example for all of those around us.

Therefore, Madam Speaker, I ask that you rise with me today to honor and celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Blue Friday program. I look forward to hearing about the future officers recognized and the stories of their heroic commitment to our community.

### RECOGNIZING PENNRIDGE REGIONAL POLICE CHIEF ROD BLAKE (RETIRED AFTER OVER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE)

### HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished career of Police Chief Rod Blake. As a graduate of Souderton High School, Chief Blake started his law enforcement career as an officer in West Rockhill Township. In 1992, West Rockhill merged with East Rockhill and Sellersville Borough to form the Pennridge Regional Police Department. During his time with the Pennridge Regional PD, Chief Blake served in a variety of positions, spanning from Field Training Officer, Firearms Instructor, Sergeant, and eventually, the Chief of Police. At

the time of this retirement, Chief Blake was the longest-tenured officer at the station.

Chief Rod Blake has had a lasting impact on every employee at Pennridge Regional, where he has been involved in the hiring process of everyone who comes through those doors. His mission was to serve and protect the community, and I cannot think of someone who embodied this ethos more than Chief Blake. As someone who said that they cannot see themselves working for another department, we are extremely grateful that Chief Blake has served for over 30 years in our community.

JORGE CARBALLEA

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Jorge Carballa for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Jorge Carballa is a student at Jefferson Jr./Sr. H.S. and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Jorge Carballa is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jorge Carballa for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF TONY BUTKOVICH

### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, April 12, 2021*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Tony Butkovich, who led a short, but very meaningful life.

Tony was born on April 2, 1921 in St. David, Illinois. At Lewistown High School, he was a star athlete and excelled at both basketball and football. In 1939, Tony led Lewistown High School to an undefeated football season and the basketball team to the IHSA State Playoffs. After high school, he was recruited by several schools, but chose the University of Illinois. Tony then chose to do his officer's training at Purdue University for the U.S. Marines. While there, he led their football team to an undefeated season for the first time in history. The U.S. Marines called him into active duty before he could finish out the year at Purdue. Tony even participated in the Mosquito Bowl in 1944, a touch-turned-tackle football game with All-American players during his time in the Marines. Sadly, he was killed in 1945 at the Battle of Okinawa at the age of 24. I commend him for a life well-lived, and I honor him today on what would have been his 100th birthday.